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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Hirohito OKUDA et al.  
Serial No.: 10/809,464  
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Title: METHOD AND ITS APPARATUS  
FOR CLASSIFYING DEFECTS  
Group: 2624  
Examiner: Edward PARK  
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AMENDMENT

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November 26, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2007, the period of response for which extension of time is requested in the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2;

**Remarks** are included beginning on page 6;

**Authorization** is included on page 13; and

**Drawing Amendments** are reflected in the attached Replacement  
Sheets.